SEC. 6. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Read three times in the general assembly, and ratified this the 29th day of January, A. D. 1881.

CHAPTER 24.

AN ACT TO APPOINT COTTON WEIGHERS FOR THE TOWNS OF ENFIELD AND WELDON.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Two cotton weighers to be appointed.

How appointed.

Vacancy.

Dutles.

Oath.

Section 1. That there shall be appointed for the towns of Enfield and Weldon two public cotton weighers for each of the said towns, one of whom shall be appointed by the county commissioners of the county of Halifax at their regular meeting next after the ratification of this act and every two years thereafter; the other by the commissioners of the said towns respectively at their next meeting after the ratification of this act and every two years thereafter; and any vacancy occurring in the said offices of cotton weighers shall be filled in like manner for the unexpired term at the first meeting of said county or town commissioners after any vacancy in their respective appointments may occur.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of said cotton weighers to weigh all baled cotton sold in the towns of Enfield and Weldon at its true weight, making just and proper deductions for water or damage.

SEC. 3. The said cotton weighers, before entering upon the duties of their said office, shall take the following oath before some justice of the peace, viz: "I,, do solemnly swear that I will faithfully perform the duties of the office of cotton weigher, and that I will take no interest, near or remote, in buying or selling cotton in the town of"